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SUBJECT: REPORTED SOVIET VIEWS ON FUTURE ETHIOPIA/ERITREA
AND ETIOPIAN/SOMALI DEVELOPMENTS

1. ACCORDING TO ITALIAN EMBASSY OFFICER WASHINGTON, ITALIAN
EMBASSY IN MOSCOW REPORTS THAT SOVIET SOURCES BELIEVE SOLU-
TION TO THE ERITREAN PROBLEM FAVORABLE TO SOVIET AND
ETHIOPIAN INTERESTS IS POSSIBLE SINCE THE LEADERSHIP OF THE
ERITREAN PEOPLE'S LIBERATION FRONT IS IN SUBSTANTIAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION.
THE ITALIANS THEREFORE DEDUCE THE LIKELIHOOD OF CONTACTS
BETWEEN THE EPLF AND THE EPMG.

2. ITALIAN EMBASSY ADDIS ABABA REPORTS HAVING RECEIVED
INFORMATION FROM SOURCE WITHIN OR CLOSE TO THE PROVISIONAL
MILITARY ADVISORY COUNCIL (PMAC) THAT THE SOVIETS ARE
PRESSING THE PMAC TO AGREE TO A CONCEPT OF A SOCIALIST
FEDERATION OF THE HORN IN WHICH MINIMUM SOMALI DEMANDS FOR
THE OGADEN COULD BE MET, THUS PERMITTING REESTABLISHMENT OF
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THE SOVIET POSITION IN MOGADISCIO. THE SOURCE REPORTS THAT
THE MAJORITY OF THE DIRG IS NOT FAVORABLE TO THIS PROPOSAL,
SINCE, HAVING WON THE OGADEN CONFLICT, IT DOES NOT WISH TO
YIELD SOME OF THE FRUITS OF VICTORY. COOPER

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